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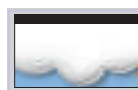
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Edmonton artist Peter Lewis points to a print of a painting he made of his waterfall design for the High Level Bridge. New York has adopted a strikingly similar piece for its latest display of public art, below.

We did it here first

Artist 'shocked' N.Y. claiming man-made waterfalls world's first

By VICTORIA HANDYSIDES
Metro Edmonton

New York is copying Edmonton, creating its own man-made waterfalls, which is fine by waterfall-creator Peter Lewis, but what riles him is they are claiming they did it first.

The Big Apple will have four man-made waterfalls, one off the Brooklyn Bridge, the first the world has seen, according to New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg.

"I listened to it at least half a dozen times because I couldn't believe what I was hearing," Edmonton artist



Peter Lewis, who created Edmonton's waterfall 30 years ago.

"I was quite shocked, I thought I'd better write Bloomberg and tell him about it and send him a photograph. I think it's great that someone else is doing it, but it was done 30 years ago for free, and the biggest piece of public art ever made in Western Canada."

The Brooklyn Bridge waterfall is

one of four free-standing pieces created by Danish artist Olafur Eliasson. The falls will run until mid-October.

The Edmonton waterfall, which lines the High Level Bridge, was completed in 1980. By the time Lewis had his masterpiece ready, it had cost \$3.6 million. He raised most of the money for the project.

The New York project cost just over \$15 million, \$13.5 million donated by Bloomberg's media company.

Lewis sent a registered letter to Bloomberg's office in March, and said he hasn't received a response. A representative from Bloomberg's office said that the mayor sent a response back to Lewis on June 11, and wrote: "Great minds think alike."

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Man back in jail hours after release

After walking out of prison a free man Friday morning, a 20-year-old man didn't last a full day back in society before landing himself behind bars again.

Police responded to a fight that broke out at Vinyl Lounge at 107 Street and Jasper Avenue at around

11:30 p.m. Friday.

As police tried to identify those involved in the fight a man bolted. After they caught up with him, the man gave police a false name, then ran again. This time cops arrested him, and discovered his true identity.

Bryan Clinton Farrell, 20, had

been released from Drumheller Institute that very morning, where he had been serving time for armed robbery. Farrell faces a new list of charges, including obstructing a peace officer, resisting arrest, and breaching release conditions.

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The Edmonton Cracker Cats take on the Calgary Vipers at Telus Field tonight: Game time 8:05. Yesterday they pounded the Reno Silver Sox 12-4. The Cats have been lighting it up of late, scoring 75 runs in their last 7 games, an average of more than 10 runs a game.

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Say goodbye to displays

Cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos out of children's sight

By VICTORIA HANDYSIDES
Metro Edmonton

As of today, the face of big tobacco will be forced to wear a mask.

In an effort to stamp out smoking in children, retailers have to cover up all "power walls" behind the counter, which display cigarettes and cigars.

Hub Cigar co-owner Steven Cleall said that the legislation won't change the way the store does business, and it won't change youth use of tobacco.

Hub opened its doors in 1910, and is Western Canada's oldest independent newsstand. The store's displays go far beyond a simple power wall, as it specializes in exotic tobaccos and cigars.

"The original law is to stop minors from getting tobacco," he said. "This will not change



Hub Cigar employee Darrin Kuncie reaches for a pack of cigarillos out of a display case, which are now a thing of the past at the popular smoke shop.

anything at all. A 16-year-old can still send an 18-year-old in to buy smokes."

Cleall said that employees have a strict policy when selling tobacco. Even if the person handing over the cash is of age, employees ID everyone in a group. If they're not of legal age, nobody gets

served.

"Kids will still get tobacco from retailers that don't care. They should go after those ones, the ones that don't care instead."

All cigars, cigarillos, pipe tobacco, and cigarettes are now removed from Hub Cigar's display cases, which

used to frame half of the store.

Now, customers will have to ask for the products by name. Cleall said that management is looking at building a walk-in humidor, so customers can see the tobacco, though still won't be allowed to touch it.

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Accused seeks plea change from guilty

Man says he lied about torturing collie Daisy Duke

By VICTORIA HANDYSIDES
Metro Edmonton

A 20-year-old man accused of savagely beating a family pet in a southern Alberta town, has tried to reverse his guilty plea in court.

Daniel

Charles Haskett tried Friday to reverse his guilty plea before a judge in provincial

court, on charges of causing unnecessary suffering to an animal and obstruction of police.

The dog, Daisy Duke, was found Oct. 8, 2006, so badly injured after a beating it had to be put down. The case has gained international attention due to claims the animal was dragged behind a truck.

In an agreed statement of

facts it was revealed that Haskett and another, younger, teen who cannot be named, dragged the dog into a garage after it was run over. They said they used a rope and truck because the battered collie cross was too messed up for the pair to handle without getting blood all over.

Haskett claimed to have lied about beating Daisy

Duke only to end brutal harassment he had been facing in the small town of Didsbury.

Haskett is now disputing details in an agreed statement of facts he originally signed, describing the brutal way in which the dog was beaten, with her legs tied and a bag over her head.

He is set to again appear in court in October, when it will be decided whether the plea will be revoked.

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Edmonton has become party central for Canada Day, from Mill Woods to Borden Park, to the Legislature, which kicks things off with a bike race at 7 a.m. and ends with fireworks at 11. In the middle of the day, check out the Silly Summer Parade on Whyte Avenue.

METRO EDMONTON

Stelmach tackling image woes in U.S.

Premier meeting with governors on 'dirty oil' rap

By VICTORIA HANDYSIDES
Metro Edmonton

Premier Ed Stelmach began meetings yesterday with Western U.S. governors in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, in an effort to clean up Alberta's "dirty oil" image.

"We want to help correct the record about impressions other people have about Alberta and its commitment to the environment," said Stelmach's spokesman, David Heyman. "A lot of environmental groups are spreading misinformation about our province."

The rescue mission comes at a bad time for the premier. An ad run in Wyoming's largest newspaper today, depicts Stelmach on the face of a fake postcard, inviting the governors he's been meeting for the past two days to hold their next meeting in a for-

est-annihilating open mine spewing smoke.

"He was very disappointed (with the ad)," Heyman said, outside meetings in Wyoming. "It's another example of why we have to be down here to set the record straight."

"It implies that the entire province is one open line. Although the oil sands cover an area the size of Florida, the actual area that is under development is the size of the Kennedy Space Centre site. The ad leads to the opposite impression, so that's one thing we're trying to correct."

Last week, Greenpeace launched a mock website offering faux tours of the oil sands, offering travellers black sand beaches and tar



Stelmach

sand mud baths.

U.S. government officials, including presidential hopeful Barack Obama, are backing ideas that could lead to limiting or banning the use of "dirty" oil sources, because of the high volume of emissions created in production.

Heyman said the premier has yet to respond to the

« We've come down here with a lot of information about Alberta's commitment to the environment and we hope to get our message across. »

Spokesman David Heyman

ideas of our southern neighbours saying no to Alberta's black gold, but that discussions tomorrow on energy and climate change will address the issue.

"We're optimistic," Heyman said. "We've come down here with a lot of information about Alberta's commitment to the environment and we hope to get our message across."

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Driving instructor in court today

Man accused of soliciting students to be prostitutes

By RYAN SMITH
for Metro Edmonton

A defensive driving school owner and instructor who allegedly made offensive comments to at least three of his female students will be in

court this morning to face a number of criminal charges.

After a seven-month investigation, police say Vishna Juneja, 63, tried to entice female driving students to work for him as prostitutes at one of the two north central Edmonton massage parlours he owns: Hustler's Men's Massage and Just For Men. Recommendations have been put forward

to the city of Edmonton to have these businesses shut down.

The Alberta Transportation Safety Board has also revoked Juneja's licences for his driving school and teaching driving himself. Juneja, who has publicly professed his innocence, has requested a judicial review in the hopes of regaining his driver instructor's licence.



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Diehard Spanish football fan Cristina Simo lets loose at Hudson's on Whyte Avenue and Gateway Boulevard for the 2008 Euro final match between Germany and Spain. Spain beat Germany 1-0.

Spain fans elated with Euro Cup win

By RYAN SMITH
for Metro Edmonton

A number of city bars were stuffed to standing room only as soccer fans watched Spain end a 44-year drought by defeating Germany 1-0 to win the European Cup in Vienna, Austria, yesterday.

"I've been waiting for this my whole life," said Cristina Simo, 34, a dual Canadian-Spanish citizen who arrived more than an hour early to secure a good seat to watch the game among a mix of Spanish and German supporters at Hudson's on Whyte Avenue.

A few blocks away at O'Byrnes Pub, Flooro Fernandez of Madrid celebrated with his Spanish friends just after the game's final whistle.

"This is a really, really big deal for us. We're often favored, but we haven't won for so long. This is a huge relief," he says.

Farther east on Whyte Avenue, the mood was dour at Wunder Bar, the unofficial headquarters throughout the tournament for German fans.

Wunder Bar co-owner Wolf

Hatheway, 31, says more than 100 people packed into his bar and patio to watch the finals.

"We've had really good crowds throughout the tournament, and they've grown and grown as Germany made it through each round," says Hatheway, whose family emigrated to Canada from Germany 20 years ago. "We haven't had crowds like this since the Oilers made their playoff run two years ago."

Simo, a self-described "hardcore" fan who cried after each of Spain's wins in the elimination rounds, said she hopes the win will unite the country and give the Spanish a much needed morale boost.

"Spain is strongly divided among regions right now, so I hope something like this can pull everyone together," she says. "We've been disappointed for so long, and now we finally have a chance to be proud again, and it feels amazing."

more coverage

» Torres' goal leads Spain to first victory in 44 years.

Robot to face pros in poker tourney

By RYAN SMITH
for Metro Edmonton

Last year they suffered a narrow loss, but artificial intelligence researchers at the University of Alberta are confident their poker playing computer program, Polaris II, will turn the tables this week.

The U of A team will challenge some of the best poker players in the world in heads up matches of Texas Hold 'Em, from July 4 to 6 at the Gaming Life Expo in the Rio Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas.

"We're very excited. We've made considerable strides at improving Polaris' play," says Michael Bowling, lead researcher for the project.

"We really think our chances are good."

The match this year will follow the same format as the first annual event, held last year in Vancouver, B.C. Duplicate sessions of Texas Hold 'Em will be held, with human pairings playing in separate rooms against Polaris at the same time.

The humans will play the opposite ends of the same cards dealt for both games.

Bowling also feels the importance of the event goes beyond mere "game playing."

"The techniques that we and others are developing to cope with uncertainty in poker are critical for many promising applications of artificial intelligence," he says.

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Canada's 13th case of mad cow disease, discovered earlier this week, was born more than five years after Canada banned feed practices thought to cause the disease, the Canadian Food Inspection Agency said Friday.

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B.C. to begin carbon tax

Province becomes first in N. America to levy broad fees

Civic leader Scott Nelson says he is as worried as anyone about global warming, but that does not make him happy to be one of the first North Americans to pay a carbon tax to curb climate change.

Nelson, the mayor of Williams Lake, B.C., says record high energy prices mean that the levy, for all its good intentions, could not come at a worse time for residents in his community, north of Vancouver.



Gordon Campbell support

» Campbell has lent support to the federal Liberal party's plan to seek a national carbon tax, panned by the Tories.

"The last thing they need now is a tax on top of these soaring prices to add insult to injury," said Nelson, predicting that a taxpayer revolt will eventually scuttle the new tax, which takes effect on July 1.

The tax on fossil fuels will make B.C. the first in North America to bring in a broad-based levy designed to cut emissions.

Premier Gordon Campbell unveiled the tax in February, calling it a key element in a pledge to cut greenhouse gas emissions by 33 percent by 2020.

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Soccer golden girls



RAE ANNOT/METRO VANCOUVER

Canadian women's Under-20 soccer team members Allyshe Chapman, 19, left, and Justine Bernier, 19, flash some gold at the airport in Vancouver yesterday. The team arrived from Puebla, Mexico, where it defeated the U.S. in the 2008 CONCACAF women's championship final securing a place in the FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup.

Inuit hit back at seal protest

Canadians should wear seal-skin to celebrate the country's birthday on July 1, an Inuit leader said on Friday, in defiance of

response

» The plea was made in response to plans by protesters to gather in Brussels and demand a prohibition on seal items.

"I am quite tired of other people telling us how to live our lives, without taking the time to learn about our culture and way of life," National Inuit leader Mary Simon said. "I am calling on Canadians who support us to get some seal clothing and wear it in a show of solidarity to Inuit and other Canadian sealers on Canada Day."

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Smoking bans are an effective way of preventing heart disease, getting cigarette users to quit and protecting children from second-hand smoke, a World Health Organization report issued today says. **REUTERS**

Mugabe sworn in as president

Kenya calls for African Union troop deployment

Zimbabwean President Robert Mugabe was sworn in yesterday after being declared overwhelming winner of a one-man election

which observers said was scarred by violence and intimidation.

Mugabe was the only candidate and went ahead with the vote despite a wave of international censure. The United States, which says it is preparing new sanctions, called yesterday for strong



Rice urges action

» U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice yesterday urged China and other powers to back strong steps against Zimbabwe, but China's foreign minister was non-committal on possible UN-authorized sanctions.

international action.

Opposition leader Morgan Tsvangirai withdrew a week

ago saying a systematic campaign of violence, which killed nearly 90 of his fol-

lowers, had made a free and fair vote impossible.

The electoral commission said Mugabe won 85.51 per cent of the vote. He had 43.2 per cent in elections in March, which Tsvangirai won with 47.9 per cent — short of the absolute majority needed for a first-round

victory.

Kenya meanwhile, is calling for the African Union to deploy troops in Zimbabwe to resolve the crisis that has become an embarrassment to the continent, Kenya's Prime Minister Raila Odinga was quoted yesterday as saying. **REUTERS**

Olympics

Chinese security program begins

TERRORISM Thousands of security personnel checked Beijing subway passengers for explosives and other banned items yesterday, the first day of a three-month campaign to guarantee Olympic security, state media said.

China has said terrorism is the biggest threat to the Olympic Games opening on Aug. 8, and has introduced a flurry of measures in recent months to boost security.

Iraq

Suicide bomber kills 7 policemen

ATTACK A suicide car bomber killed seven policemen and wounded three in an attack on a patrol in northern Iraq's Salahuddin province yesterday, police said.

The explosion in the town of Dhuliyia, 70 km north of Baghdad, was the latest in a series of attacks by militants on Iraqi forces trying gradually to take over responsibility for Iraq's security. **REUTERS**

Kashmir mourning a protester



Relatives of Imtiyaz Ahmad cry during his funeral yesterday in Srinagar, Kashmir. Imtiyaz, a Kashmiri protester who was shot on Friday, passed away in a hospital yesterday evening, his relative said. The Jammu and Kashmir government said it would revoke its decision to transfer forest land to a Hindu shrine trust, a move that could defuse mass protests by Muslims across the region.

Israeli cabinet votes for prisoner swap

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert won his cabinet's approval yesterday for a prisoner swap with Hezbollah under which two soldiers held by the Lebanese guerrilla group, and believed to be dead, would be recovered.

The seizure of army reservists Ehud Goldwasser and Eldad Regev in a July 2006 border ambush trig-

gered a month-long war in Lebanon, with Olmert ruling out talks on their return. He then relented, negotiating through a UN-appointed German mediator.

Olmert told ministers before they voted 22-3 to approve the deal that Israel believed the two soldiers did not survive their capture, cabinet sources said.

An official Israeli statement said that in the exchange, Israel would release five Lebanese gunmen and at a later stage an undisclosed number of Palestinian prisoners. Dozens of bodies of slain infiltrators and the remains of eight Hezbollah men killed in the 2006 war would also be handed over. **REUTERS**

U.S. working toward Iran regime change: Report

U.S. congressional leaders agreed late last year to President George W. Bush's funding request for a major escalation of covert operations against Iran aimed at destabilizing its leadership, according to a report in The New Yorker magazine published online yesterday.

The article by Seymour Hersh, from the magazine's July 7 and 14 issue, centers on a classified Presidential Finding signed by Bush which, by U.S. law, must be made known to Democratic and Republican House and Senate leaders and ranking members of the intelligence committees.

"The Finding was focused on undermining Iran's nuclear ambitions and trying to undermine the government through regime change," the

war of words

» Iran's foreign minister said yesterday he did not believe Israel was in a position to attack his country over its nuclear program, while an Iranian general announced plans to prepare 320,000 graves for enemy soldiers.

article cited a person familiar with its contents as saying, and involved "working with opposition groups and passing money."

Hersh has written previously about possible administration plans to go to war to stop Tehran from obtaining nuclear weapons, including an April 2006 article in the New Yorker that suggested regime change in Iran was Bush's ultimate goal. **REUTERS**

»news In Brief

» **DEATH** A 17-year-old boy was killed by a rollercoaster at a Six Flags Inc. amusement park in Georgia on Saturday after entering a restricted area, park officials said. The teen, visiting with his church group,

was struck and killed instantly by the Batman roller coaster after scaling 6-foot fences marked by danger signs with another boy, a Six Flags spokeswoman said. **REUTERS**

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Pakistan secures Khyber

Supplies for Afghan mission travel through region

Pakistani security forces took control yesterday of a militant area in the Khyber region, a day after launching an offensive to push back gunmen threatening the city of Peshawar.

"It has been a successful operation. No collateral damage has been reported. The writ of the government has been established," top Interior Ministry official Rehman Malik said in Peshawar. "Peshawar is totally safe. We won't allow anyone



Tribesmen visit the headquarters of militant commander Mangal Bagh, which was bombed by government forces during an operation in the Khyber region near the Afghan border yesterday.

to disrupt the peace of the city," he told reporters.

The Khyber region is home to the Khyber Pass through which supplies for

Western forces in Afghanistan pass, but traffic from Peshawar to the border had not been affected, an official said.

The region had been virtually free of militant violence until this year, but security has deteriorated in recent months.

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Flood levels recede in U.S. Midwest

Damage could affect world food prices for years

Levees on the cresting Mississippi River held yesterday as the worst U.S. Midwest flooding in 15 years began to ebb, but multibillion-dollar crop losses may boost world food prices for years.

Water levels on the river receded for the second straight day as mostly clear weather gave saturated areas a chance to start draining. Forecasts for similar dry weather in coming days gave further encouragement.

The swollen river was ex-

« *The water is still up very high and it is up against levees.* »

spokesman Alan Dooley, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

pected to crest today in St. Louis at 38.9 feet, 11 feet below the record set in 1993 and a level considered "manageable," said U.S. Army Corps of Engineers St. Louis District spokesman Alan Dooley.

"The crest in the areas up the Mississippi River in the district has passed," Dooley said. "The water is still up very high and it is up against levees."

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Iraq commits \$100M to rebuild Sadr City

Iraq will spend \$100 million to rebuild the east Baghdad slum of Sadr City and create jobs for many of its two million residents after years of violence and neglect, a government official said yesterday.

The Shiite slum is a stronghold of anti-American cleric Moqtada al-Sadr's Mehdi Army, whose fighters clashed with U.S. and government troops there in March and April until a ceasefire halted hostilities.

"The government has ordered an allocation of \$100 million to reconstruct and develop Sadr City," Tahseen al-Sheikhli, civilian spokesman for security operations in Baghdad, said.

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» **KENYA** Corruption watchdogs and senior politicians rounded on Kenyan Finance Minister Amos Kimunya yesterday over the sale of the Grand Regency, a luxury Nairobi hotel, to Libyan investors in a deal they said had the whiff of scandal.

» **SENTENCE** A New Jersey dentist behind a scheme to steal body parts from corpses, including that of British journalist Alistair Cooke, was sentenced Friday to a minimum of 18 years and a maximum of 54 years in prison.

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Rogers Communications has announced pricing plans ranging from \$60 to \$115 a month for Apple Inc's 3G iPhone, prompting an outcry about prices from angry customers. The price includes unlimited Wi-Fi access at Rogers hotspots.

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Canada gets D for innovation

A lack of creativity and foresight is weighing down the economy, the health-care system and the environment, while weakening Canada's ability to compete globally, says a Conference Board of Canada report card to be released today.

For years the country's poor innovation record and low productivity levels have been "masked by good fortune," said Anne Golden, president and chief executive officer.

In the report's innovation category, Canada ranked 13 out of the 17 countries studied, receiving the lowest given grade — a D. Canada has failed to keep pace with competition for global investment, the report says, and its economy has slumped from third place in the 1970s to 11th today.

"Part of it is we aren't as risk-oriented as others," Golden said. "And that's not right across the board — the BlackBerry is a great example of innovation. Unfortunately, you're hard-pressed to name another."

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» **TAKEOVER** Oil driller Grey Wolf Friday rejected Precision Drilling Trust's offer to buy the company for the third time, saying the twice-sweetened bid of \$1.78 billion, or \$10 a share, still undervalues Grey Wolf. Grey Wolf also said its takeover of Basic Energy Services offers a better value for its shareholders.

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Rapper giving back to Haiti

Wyclef Jean working to develop Haiti

When Wyclef Jean went to Haiti recently, he was accompanied by business types, including Canadian entrepreneur Belinda Stronach and other foreign investors.

The Haitian-born Jean, who rose to fame with the Fugees hip-hop group and became a homeland hero with his efforts to bring education and peace to the impoverished Caribbean nation, has set his sights on serious economic change.

The Grammy-winning musician said the poorest country in the Americas, roiled by food riots in April, needs foreign investment and help with sustainable development but not charity that



Musician Wyclef Jean announces his Together For Haiti program to help provide food and employment to the struggling country of Haiti in New York in this May 20 file photo.

could cause Haiti to become even more dependent.

Jean, 35, said the most important contribution the international community could

make to Haiti is to invest in agriculture, road projects and economic infrastructure.

Jean has called for an end to the kidnappings-for-ran-

som that have plagued Haiti in recent years and urged Haitians and foreign partners to create a safer environment for investment.

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Bankers warn about inflation

Central bankers meeting in Basel, Switzerland, issued a stern warning yesterday against the dangers of surging inflation, saying rising energy costs risk damaging growth in rich and poor countries alike.

Policymakers from more than 100 central banks attending talks at the annual meeting of the Bank for International Settlements agreed oil prices — which surged past \$142 a barrel for the first time last week — were a major concern. But they said there was no single way to tame inflation and boost growth.

Even countries like the United Arab Emirates, enjoying surging revenues from oil exports, say oil prices have gone too far.

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Holidays Britons change



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Woman walks near an billboard in the Black Sea coast city of Varna, northeast of the Bulgarian capital Sofia. As the summer holiday season begins, the British currency's frailty coupled with a mind-boggling rise in airfares due to soaring oil prices are bringing subtle changes to Britons' holiday plans in Europe — by far their most popular playground.

Investment banking cuts coming: Recruiter

Report says BMO laying off 150

There are more investment and corporate banking layoffs to come at Canadian bank-owned dealers and boutique firms, a recruiter predicted Friday, as credit markets in particular suffer from lackluster demand.

"I don't think we're done," said Bill Vlaad, a recruiter who specializes in the financial services sector.

A newspaper reported Friday that Bank of Montreal is laying off about 150 people in

CIBC reductions

» In late May, CIBC World Markets said it cut 100 administrative and management jobs, on top of earlier cuts when it shut down its European leveraged finance and structured credit businesses.

its capital markets unit, or roughly 6 per cent of staff.

Vlaad expects some of the other big banks to reduce corporate and investment banking staff, and said other firms have done small reductions already.

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Kurt Busch, left, roared to victory yesterday at the NASCAR Sprint Cup Lenox Industrial Tools 301 at New Hampshire Motor Speedway after the race was called with 17 laps remaining due to rain.

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Spain reigns Europe

Torres' goal lifts his country to first title in 44 years

EURO2008

Striker Fernando Torres' brilliantly executed first-half goal gave Spain a deserved 1-0 victory over Germany yesterday as they were crowned European champions for the first time in 44 years.

Spain dominated a thrilling, end-to-end Euro 2008 final and could have won by a far more convincing margin, but Torres' 33rd minute strike was enough to bring them their first major title since their 1964 Euro success on home soil.

Just minutes after powering a header against the base of Jens Lehmann's post, Torres ran on to Xavi's through ball, sprinted around full-back Philipp Lahm and chipped a delicate shot with the inside of his right foot past the advancing keeper.

"It's a dream come true,"



Captain Iker Casillas lifts the European championship trophy after Spain defeated Germany 1-0 in the final yesterday in Vienna.

he said. "It's our first title (together) and we hope it will be the first of many. We've still got the World Cup to come, we have to be ambitious.

Germany coach Joachim Loew was gracious in de-

feat, complimenting Spain on the standard of their soccer.

"We have to accept the quality of the Spanish side tonight and their technical ability."

Forward David Villa, who

missed the final due to injury, finished as the tournament's top scorer with four goals while Spain took their unbeaten run to 22 matches and finally banished their reputation as serial under-achievers.

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Harden likely to be trade bait

MLB contenders are quietly trying to top each other with trade pitches for Rich Harden, the 27-year-old right-hander from Victoria, B.C.

The cold Harden facts:

- His contract expires after this season and the frugal Oakland A's have no intention of paying him the megabucks he'll be worth, so they've made it clear that he can be had for the right package before the July 31 trade deadline.

- He has a history of injuries but clubs aren't concerned because of his excellence this month.

- In June, he has struck out 42 batters in 32 1/3 innings and his earned-run average is a remarkable 1.65.

- His most recent start, last Thursday, was a real gem in which he struck out 11 Philadelphia batters in eight innings en route to a 5-0 victory, prompting Phillies manager Charlie Manuel to say: "Harden has some of the nastiest stuff in baseball. He could be the difference maker in a pennant race."

» The CFL had a rough opening weekend, producing low-scoring and generally dull games.

The Winnipeg Blue Bombers and Hamilton Tiger-Cats scored touchdowns only once in their respective losses, while the Edmonton Eskimos couldn't produce any TDs in



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theirs.

In B.C., a quarterbacking change already seems likely as Lions coach Wally Buono wasn't pleased — actually, he used the word "pissed" when discussing his team's loss. Jarious Jackson probably will start Friday night against the Saskatchewan Roughriders instead of Buck Pierce.

Buono criticized the Lions' lack of discipline in a loss to the Stampeders in Calgary Thursday night. "I'll correct this," he vowed.

» Matt Devlin is the new voice of the Toronto Raptors, sources have told Metro.

Devlin previously served as the voice of the Memphis Grizzlies and the Charlotte Bobcats. He also has worked for TNT and Fox.

He'll replace Chuck Swirsky, who's abandoning the Raps to become the Chicago Bulls' voice. Devlin has beaten out at least four Canadians for the Raptors' job.

Marty York has been a groundbreaking sports columnist and broadcaster in Canada for decades.

Oilers get Visnovsky for Stoll, Greene

Edmonton adds power-play help

The Edmonton Oilers acquired defenceman Lubomir Visnovsky from the Los Angeles Kings last night in exchange for forward Jarret Stoll and blue-liner Matt Greene.

"Visnovsky will add great depth to our power play," Oil-

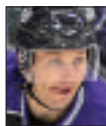
ers general manager Kevin Lowe told Sportsnet.ca.

TSN.ca notes that with the development of Andrew Coglian, Sam Gagner and Robert Nilsson, Edmonton had too many forwards, thus making Stoll expendable.

Additionally, Stoll is scheduled to be an unrestricted free agent next year while Green

will be an unrestricted free agent in two years.

Visnovsky, 31, posted 70 goals and 209 assists in 499 games with the Kings since being drafted by Los Angeles in the fourth round, 118th overall, in 2000. He became the first Kings defenceman to lead the team in scoring in 2005-06, tallying a career-high 17 goals and 50



Visnovsky

assists.

Stoll, 25, tallied 59 goals and 106 assists in 186 games since being selected by the Oilers with Edmonton's second-round pick, 36th overall, in 2002.

Greene, 24, has one goal and 12 assists in 151 games since being selected by Edmonton in the second round, 44th overall, in 2002.

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Nineteen-year-old Inbee Park of South Korea, left, became the youngest player to win the U.S. Women's Open with a four-shot victory yesterday in Minnesota.

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Esks need to snap ugly streak

Yes, it's only one game, but the 34-13 drubbing the Edmonton Eskimos took from the Saskatchewan Roughriders at Mosaic Stadium Saturday is their seventh regular season loss in a row.

If that's not pressure right out of the blocks for coach **Danny Maciocia** after two straight seasons out of the playoffs — they lost six straight to end 2007 and finish 5-12-1 — I don't know what it is.

It was the same old, same old to start the new season as the red zone was a dead zone for the Esks, who marched up and down the field rather handsomely even though **Ricky Ray** spent much of the day getting knocked on his backside, but couldn't finish.

"That was the most disappointing part of the game," Maciocia told reporters. "It was 17-14 going into the third quarter. If we'd scored when we got down there, it

could have been a very different result at the end."

Ray went 25-for-37 for 249 yards in his return from shoulder surgery, but Saskatchewan turned a nail-biter into a laughter with 17 straight points.

Worse still, the Esks have a short week before the Calgary Stampeders come calling at Commonwealth Stadium Thursday.

NO ACTION

Defensive end **Fred Perry** talked the talk, but didn't walk the walk in his return to Regina.

Perry said he'd take great pleasure getting after former pal and Saskatchewan pivot **Marcus Randall** — the two have had a falling



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out since a stereo business they co-owned in Regina failed — but he never laid a lick on him.

"I'm going to have some fun with Marcus," Perry said. "He's going to see the defence more times than a little bit."

Perry didn't get a sniff in the sack department and was credited with just one tackle.

THAT'LL LEAVE A MARK

Already without defensive lineman **Adam Braidwood** (knee), the Esks now have a big hole to fill on the other side of the ball after losing guard **Dan Comiskey** three plays into the game with a sprained ankle.

Comiskey, 36, is the glue that holds a rebuilt offensive line to-

gether, but he's struggled with injuries the past couple seasons — a calf injury put him on the shelf for five games in 2007.

"He will probably be out for a least a few weeks," Maciocia said.

AND ... the Esks didn't do anything to keep the Riders off Ray in terms of a running game as they managed just 59 yards on 20 attempts, with 45 coming from **Damien Anderson** on 12 carries ... **Noel Prefontaine's** 54-yard field goal wasn't only the longest of his career, he had distance to spare ... the Esks talked during training camp about stretching defences with more deep pass routes, but outside a 34-yard completion to **Jason Tucker**, they didn't complete a pass for more than 15 yards.

In a decade covering the Edmonton sports scene, Robin Brownlee has been the news-breaker and insightful voice for sports fans in Oil Country.

golf

Perry surges to Buick Open victory

TRIUMPH American **Kenny Perry** claimed his second title of the year when **Woody Austin** bogeyed the final hole to hand him victory at the Buick Open yesterday.

With Perry in the clubhouse after a final round six-under 66, Austin watched his title hopes end with a bogey-bogey finish, missing a 18-foot par putt at the 18th to force a playoff.

NHL

Malone cashes in with Bolts: Report

DEALS The Tampa Bay Lightning have agreed to terms with forward **Ryan Malone** on a seven-year deal worth about \$31 million US, according to Sportsnet.ca.

Veteran winger **Gary Roberts** also is close to signing a one-year deal with Tampa Bay that has the potential to reach \$2 million, Sportsnet.ca reports.

NHL

Flyers ink Eminger to 1-year contract

DEALS The Philadelphia Flyers signed defenceman **Steve Eminger** to a one-year contract yesterday.

Eminger was acquired by Philadelphia along with a 2008 third-round pick from the Washington Capitals on June 20 for a first-round pick in the 2008 draft.

The 24-year-old collected two assists in 20 games for Washington last season.

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Speed demon Gay roars into Olympics



Tyson Gay holds the U.S. flag after winning the men's 100-metre finals at the U.S. Olympic Track and Field Trials yesterday in Eugene, Ore. Gay ran the fastest time ever — 9.68 seconds — but the wind speed of 4.1 metres per second deprived the 25-year-old of a world record.

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More Canadian fathers are embracing parenthood and taking time off to care for their young children, a Statistics Canada study released recently suggests.

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Turn off that cellphone

Today's connected world contributes to work worry

By RAFAEL BRUSILOV
for Metro Edmonton

Four out of five Canadians believe work stress is harming their health but few are willing to completely let go of work, even on vacation.

A recent Ipsos-Reid survey presented by *Tripharbour.ca* showed that more than 80 per cent of working Canadians believe workplace stress is negatively impacting their health, and more than one-in-three Canadians surveyed say they struggle to balance their work and personal lives.

Lise Janelle, a business and life coach who spent more than 23 years as a chiropractor, says "powering down" — being able to drop your work and force yourself to relax like you're supposed to — is becoming increasingly hard in a world of instant and constant communication. In her experience, not taking the time to relax can make you far less productive despite spending more time working.

"What I find with my clients is if they don't power down, their productivity is decreased. They feel stressed out, they feel tired, they feel they never have enough time in the day," Janelle said.



People should find time to "power down" when away from work to lower stress, life coach Lise Janelle suggests.

Janelle blames communication devices and their prevalence in day-to-day lives as a large factor in making Canadians feel like they're tethered to work no matter where they are. Turning off your work cellphone or mobile data device

is the first step to letting yourself truly relax.

"We used to live not that long ago without cellphones and the world still functioned. I'm certain you can take a week off without your cellphone and things will be OK," Janelle said.

The study found Albertans are most likely to keep their data devices and check work calls while on vacation with Ontarians also struggling to let go, while Quebecers had the lowest instances of checking in with the office during time

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Lise Janelle
Life coach

off. In the Atlantic provinces, 62 per cent of respondents said they don't enjoy their work while respondents in Saskatchewan and Manitoba were least likely to believe that work-related stress was negatively impacting their lives. Across Canada, one-in-five workers admitted to never truly disconnecting from work.

For Janelle, the results show that people who can't let go of work when they're not working have the hardest time powering down.

"If people are serious about powering down, they don't have a problem putting down their mobile. If you do have a problem powering down, don't take your mobile with you," Janelle said.

Over the years, Janelle has seen first-hand the negative health effects of workplace stress on Canadians.

"Often the spine gets affected, people get stress headaches, lower back pain, neck pain and stomach ulcers. There are health risks," Janelle said.

Google gets top rep rank

Google Inc's famous employee perks — from providing "nap pods" for a quick break during the day to allowing engineers to spend 20 per cent of their work time on side projects that may spark new ideas — have given the Internet leader the best reputation in corporate America, according to a study released this week.

On the other hand, the U.S. airline industry, which has cut employee pay while raising prices and tacking on fees for formerly free services like meals and checked bags, saw its popularity tumble, the annual Harris Interactive Reputation Quotient poll found.

Largely for its reputation for treating workers well, Google claimed the No. 1 spot from Microsoft Corp, which fell to 10th place.

"The ratings they get focus on how they treat their employees, their workplace environment," said Robert Fronk, senior vice-president at Rochester, N.Y.-based Harris. "They absolutely get tremendous credit for the social responsibility, which for them is also linked with their vision and leadership."

The airline industry suffered from a perception of treating both the public and its employees poorly, Fronk said. The percentage of respondents whose rating toward it was favorable fell to 26 per cent from 31 per cent last year, the sharpest drop of any of the 11 industries counted.

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Job hunting, from the stars

Careers in space attainable for all, MacLean says

By **RAFAEL BRUSILOV**
for Metro Edmonton

Renowned Canadian astronaut Steve MacLean wants Canadians to know a career in space isn't out of their reach.

The well-travelled space explorer, famous for having flown space flights aboard space shuttles Columbia and Atlantis, hit the road recently to convince

Canadians that they have what it takes to be the newest additions to the Canadian Space Agency's (CSA) flying roster.

MacLean's road crusade comes on the heels of the announcement by Jim Prentice, minister of Industry Canada, that the CSA will recruit two new astronauts for upcoming space flight missions to the moon and Mars.

Though the odds seem steep — two positions out of an entire country of potential applicants — MacLean

is adamant that qualified people shouldn't discount themselves too quickly. He believes plenty of suitable astronaut candidates lurk within Canada right now.

"The talent that is out there in this country today speaks well to our future. There are hundreds of Canadians out there who can do this job," MacLean said.

Both eventual candidates will serve at least 10 years in the CSA and be trained for the planned 2018 NASA mission to the moon. That trip will also serve as a testing

« We need people who are balanced, people who have good communication skills ... You can't expect anyone to already have what it takes but the training is so good that if you have an aptitude for it you'll develop into a competent astronaut. »

Canadian astronaut
Steve MacLean

ground for the equipment and technologies expected to make possible a later trip to Mars. When looking for potential applicants, MacLean says that while smarts and skills are a good sign

of talent (astronaut candidates should be particularly strong in sciences), people who are open-minded and who work well with others have a better chance of being considered. Training will take care of the rest.

"You have to be versatile, you have to work in a team. We need people who are

worth a shot

» MacLean, now 53, himself thought he had no chance of becoming an astronaut nearly 25 years ago but fatefully applied anyways.

balanced, people who have good communication skills. You can't expect anyone to already have what it takes but the training is so good that if you have an aptitude for it you'll develop into a competent astronaut," MacLean said.

Besides the two chosen astronauts, the CSA is looking to develop a pool of 20 outstanding candidates for future service as well.

MacLean admits that the joy of space flight is likely to be a big draw for applicants and rightly so, since he considers his trips to space probably the greatest experiences of his life. He says weightlessness is a feeling unlike any other.

"Every single muscle relaxes when you're flying in space. You will love it. It will become a part of you and something you will never forget," MacLean said.

MacLean hopes the upcoming missions will signal a newfound focus on space travel.

"I think we're at a turning point in the world. The future will be what we make of it," he said.



Astronaut Steve MacLean says he never thought he had it in him to go to space when he applied to the CSA 25 years ago.



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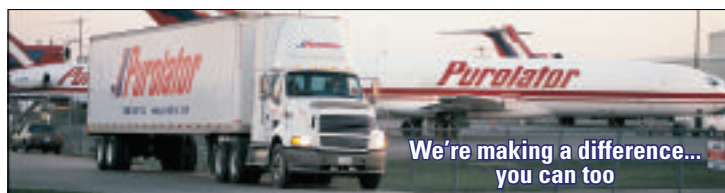
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Chris Kattan, left, married model Sunshine Tutt in Yosemite Valley, Calif., on Saturday.

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Nas concept bucking trend

New record title sparked support and controversy

Seated in a quiet corner of New York restaurant the Spotted Pig, Nas is drinking a glass of rose. He's dressed comfortably in jeans, Velcro-fastened sneakers and a white T-shirt featuring the image of a poster from Muhammad Ali and Joe Frazier's Thrilla in Manila fight. His black Rolls Royce is parked outside and he's awaiting a few cigars from his driver.

In here, the noise surrounding the rapper's new Def Jam album, formerly known as N-gger, has faded, but Nas is still happy to discuss the grand implications of it all.

Since October, when Nas first announced his intentions for the album title, he has drawn all kinds of responses, ranging from the ire of African-American activist the Rev. Al Sharpton to the support of Def Jam chairman/CEO Antonio L.A. Reid.



Since October, when Nas first announced his intentions for his album title, he has drawn all kinds of responses.

After certain retail distributors, which neither Def Jam nor Nas would identify, claimed they wouldn't carry an album called N-gger, Nas rechristened it as an untitled project, starting yet another round of debate on popular hip-hop sites like nahright.com.

As the record nears its July

15 release, Nas is the first to admit he's not a one-man show. Def Jam, a unit of publicly traded company Vivendi, has to market this hot-button album while maintaining its market share, which raises the question: How do a corporation and an artist balance creative integrity with the bottom line?

"If I was the one watching all this s-t happen, I would want to see me ride to the end," says Nas, who promises that he hasn't changed or removed the album's incendiary commentary on race relations. "Except a lot of so-called black leaders were using my album as a platform for themselves. I would

have been fighting not to get the N-gger album out but to express myself, and that's not the fight I wanted. This album is about me and how I feel as a black man."

Nas' subject matter is rare for contemporary commercial hip-hop, which sells everything from mobile phones to fast food. The three hip-hop songs atop Billboard's Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Songs chart — Plies' Bust It Baby Part 2 and Lil Wayne's Lollipop and A Milli — focus on sex and braggadocio. But Nas says he recorded the album with entertainment as well as education in mind.

"I didn't want to n-gger my audience to death," he says. "So Be a N-gger Too, which I recently released a video for, isn't on the album. It didn't fit. The entire record deals with the concept, but ... I had to pace myself."

Newly minted Def Jam executive vice president

« From Jay-Z to 50 Cent to Kanye (West), I've been around longer than all of them, and I don't need any of their marketing. »

Nas, rap artist

Shakira Stewart says that while the company wholeheartedly supports Nas' creative vision, all parties understand the business implications of the original album name. "Nas would not jeopardize his opportunity to get his music to the public," Stewart says. "He understands that we believe in intelligent freedom of speech, meaning whatever stance you take, be prepared for some accountability."

"Nas is a visionary," Stewart says. Nas muses that he doesn't need to market himself like other artists.

"From Jay-Z to 50 Cent to Kanye (West), I've been around longer than all of them, and I don't need any of their marketing," Nas says. "The people are my marketing, and that puts me in a class by myself."

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Canadian pens kiss'n'tell tale

Woman's memoir details relations with stars, athletes

While kiss-and-tell books have been a staple of rock 'n' roll, it's early days for the genre in hip hop. Bestowed with the industry nickname Superhead, former music video performer and Virgin Islands native Karrine Steffans got the ball rolling in 2005 with her New York Times bestseller *Confessions of a Video Vixen* which explicitly detailed dalliances with entertainers, such as Sean "Diddy" Combs, Jay-Z and Dr. Dre.

New Yorker Carmen Bryan followed with 2006's *It's No Secret*, which outlined her relationship with her daughter's father, rapper Nas, whom she two-timed for five years with his rival

Jay-Z, and on occasion with basketball star Allen Iverson. Now a Canadian woman in getting in on the action.

One-time stripper Alana Wyatt-Smith, 29, who has a 7-year-old son with Toronto hip-hop artist Saukrates, has penned *Breaking the Code of Silence*, a memoir examining her 2005 marriage to American MC-turned-actor-Mos Def, three days after they met, as well as encounters with various professional athletes and celebs.

She also recounts a rough-and-tumble upbringing that included childhood sexual abuse by a relative and being beaten into a coma by a violent boyfriend as a teenager.

Wyatt-Smith would prefer to distance her book from that of Steffans and Bryan, insisting that it's not an exposé, because she disguises the identities of the bulk of



Alana Wyatt-Smith

her lovers.

"I disagree with putting names of people in there, just out of respect for their wives and children," said Wyatt-Smith in an interview.

"If this was about making money, getting rich, I could have wrote a tell-all book, 10 times better than Karrine Steffans."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

» news In Brief

- » **COLUMNISTS** Colin & Justin's Interior Divine column will return.
- » **BOX OFFICE** Animation giant Pixar hit the box office jackpot once again as its robot love story *WALL-E* snagged the No. 1 spot (with \$62 million) during its first weekend of release across North America, Reuters reports.
- » **TELEVISION** The Osbournes are set to follow-up their comedy-reality series with for a new weekly variety show, ew.com reports.
- » **MUSIC** Coldplay's *Viva La Vida or Death and All His Friends* opens with 721,000 sold, Reuters reports. The British band ices the No. 1 slot on both sides of the Atlantic as it holds court for a second week on the U.K. albums chart.
- » **GAMING** Aerosmith fans can finally get their chance to step into the shoes of Steven Tyler and Joe Perry as video game developer Activision Inc. released its *Guitar Hero: Aerosmith* game Friday, Reuters reports.

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Filmmaker Guy Ritchie's mother has hit out at reports her son wants to divorce his singer wife Madonna, right, branding the rumours "works of fiction" dreamed up by the media.

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movies

New film follows the path of 300

WAR The producers of 300 are taking another trip to an epic battlefield. Gianni Nunnari and Mark Canton will produce War Of Gods, a story with a similar tone to the last year's ancient saga, which earned more than \$450 million US worldwide. War Of Gods concerns the battles waged by Theseus, a warrior from Greek mythology, who leads a fight against imprisoned titans. It will be shot by music videos veteran Tarsem, who directed Jennifer Lopez in The Cell.

television

Goldblum joins Law & Order

CASTING Jeff Goldblum has joined Law & Order: Criminal Intent, replacing Chris Noth who is leaving the crime drama after three seasons. Goldblum, whose salary is about \$250,000 US an episode, will split starring duties with co-lead Vincent D'Onofrio the way D'Onofrio did with Noth. "Jeff's presence will add a new dimension to an already successful show," Law & Order chief Dick Wolf said.

people

Fawcett, O'Neal's son admits guilt

DRUG CHARGES The son of Farrah Fawcett and Ryan O'Neal has admitted to driving under the influence of drugs and to possessing heroin and crystal meth, BBC Online reports. Police arrested Redmond O'Neal on Jan. 26 after they caught him speeding in Malibu, Calif. The 23-year-old has been placed on three years' probation and was fined \$1,700 US. The judge ordered O'Neal to attend a drug treatment program until another hearing next month.

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will return

Networks work to woo Leno

Don't pity Jay Leno. The host of NBC's The Tonight Show is losing his home of 17 years in 2009, but Leno finds himself in an enviable position. Still packing the ratings punch that delivers the lion's share of NBC's estimated \$300 million US in annual late-night revenue, the comic is being wooed by a host of suitors. ABC, Fox, Sony and even CNN have been reported trying to lure Leno, and he won't come cheap: NBC pays him \$27 million per year. Little did the Peacock know back in 2004 when then-NBC Universal TV president Jeff Zucker guaranteed Conan O'Brien he would take Leno's job five years later the succession would turn late-night on its ear. It's a situation unthinkable back in the 1992-93 season, when an earlier round of late-night wars deposited Leno in Johnny Carson's chair instead of David Letterman, whose Late Show on CBS has trailed the Tonight audience.

With Leno's future fast becoming the industry's favourite guessing game, The Hollywood Reporter

weighs his options (in descending order of likelihood).

Option 1: Leno takes ABC's 11:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. time slot occupied by Nightline and Jimmy Kimmel Live! ABC is Leno's most likely destination. ABC would have to kill the venerable Nightline, however, a move that drew strong criticism six years ago when the Alphabet tried to woo Letterman.

Option 2: Leno launches a show on Fox at 11 or 11:30 p.m. The top-rated late-night host could give the top-rated network its best shot to expand its primetime rule to late-night. But Fox doesn't program late-night, so it would face an additional challenge of getting the time back from its stations, which air off-net series or more local news after their 10-11 p.m. newscasts.

Option 3: Sony Pictures TV puts Leno in syndication. Arsenio Hall proved in the 1990s syndication was a viable route to late-night. However, Leno apparently enjoys the support system of a major broadcast network, and a syndication deal would not



Jay Leno

likely provide the head-to-head battle with O'Brien and Letterman.

Option 4: Leno stays put on NBC... somehow. NBC is offering Leno every other programming variation under the sun to stay — morning shows, afternoon shows, primetime specials. Not only would it prevent the host from competing against O'Brien, but it also would provide an ace in the

hole should Tonight take a hard ratings fall under O'Brien — not entirely unlike how NBC kept Tom Brokaw in the mix after he left the anchor chair.

Option 5: Leno cools his heels for a year and re-emerges on CBS in 2010. Retaining Letterman allows CBS to boast a stable late-night lineup to advertisers while competitors manage the post-Leno shakeup. But Letterman's contract expires in 2010, which isn't as far off as it might seem. If Letterman asks to renew his contract for much more than the \$30-odd million a year he's already making, CBS Corp. president and CEO Leslie Moonves could play up possibly luring Leno.

Option 6: Leno joins Larry King as a CNN host. Leno has surfaced on various lists of replacements for King, whose recent contract renewal through 2010 has done little to scotch rumours CNN is searching for his successor. The cabler has publicly denied this scenario.

Option 7: Leno will retire to full-time stand-up in 2010.

REUTERS

critics' corner

Robson Arms

"Stuck in the middle with you." Robson Arms dwellers appear to be caught in a civil war, with one side wanting condos and the other preferring things as they are. Fred (Haig Sutherland) is persuaded by an old friend to pressure one of the residents to change sides. But when he finds out why his buddy encouraged him to do it, Fred must come up with an ingenious plan to fix things in the season finale, "Hero." 9:30 PM on CFRN



Asteroid Tracker

Some jobs just sound more fun than others. "Daily Planet" co-host Jay Ingram hosts this documentary that takes a look at asteroids and whether or not Earth is destined to be destroyed by one. Those interviewed include "violent impact specialist" Jay Melosh, who only needs 10 years warning to save the world; amateur astronomer Roy Tucker, who helps track asteroids; and nuclear researcher Mark Boslough, who studies past collisions. 5 PM on DISC

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prime time	4	CBXT	- 307	Coronation St.	Countdown to	How Do-Maria	City Chase (N)	The Border (DVS)		CBC News: The National		The Hour
	6	KREM	- 372	News (N)	Hollywood	Friends	Scrubs	Big Bang Th	How I Met	Two/Half Men	Engagement	CSI: Miami
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cable variety	40	HIST	522 506	American History X *** (1998, Drama)		Edward Norton, Fairuz Balk.		Manhunt		Rounders ** (1998, Drama)		
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cable variety	43	SPACE	627 528	Taken "Jacob and Jesse" (Part 2 of 10) (DVS)				The Terminator *** (1984, Science Fiction)				Terminator 3
	44	WPCH	294 650	A Thin Line Between Love and Hate (1996, Comedy-Drama)				Seinfeld	Fraser	A Thin Line Between Love and Hate (1996)		
cable variety	46	OLN	411 457	Mantracker (N)		Departures		Pilot Guides		Don't Forget Your Passport		Amazing Race
	48	TROP	619 525	Are You Smarter		Deal or No Deal Canada		ET Canada	What Happen?	X-Weighted "Naomi"		Smarter
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	105	TVS	145 761	Gardiens des trésors du		Passez au vert	Ville	Journal TV5	Le Plus grand cabaret du monde			
cable variety	106	RDI	126 730	Le Téléjournal (SC)		RDI en direct	Le National	Le Téléjournal (SC)		Le Journal RDI	Le National	Le Téléjournal

Celebrity Buzz

Blame it on boredom

Amy speaks: Amy Winehouse insists her problems with drugs and alcohol stem from "boredom" and feeling like she has "nothing to live for," female-first.co.uk reports. In a rare interview with Rolling Stone magazine, the

Back To Black hitmaker reveals that after her husband Blake Fielder-Civil was jailed on charges of assault and perverting the course of justice in November 2007, she felt like her life wasn't worth living.

The Grammy award-winning singer subsequently cancelled her U.K. tour and ended up in rehab in an attempt to kick her addictions. She was also treated at a London hospital for traces of emphysema last week. And Winehouse blames her downward spiral into drink and drugs on her unhappy state. She says, "To be honest, my husband's away, I'm bored, I'm young. I felt like there was nothing to live for. It's just been a low ebb." But the star insists that although she was treated at a London clinic in March, she doesn't feel like she has fully completed a rehab program.

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Ruben ties the knot

WEDDING BELLS American Idol's Season 2 winner Ruben Studdard married Surata Zuri McCants in his hometown of Birmingham, Ala., on Saturday with 20 groomsmen at his side, People.com reports.

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No new 90210 for Luke Perry

CASTING Former Beverly Hills, 90210 heartthrob Luke Perry has dismissed reports he is reprising his role in the new version of the show. Former castmates

Tori Spelling and Jennie Garth will appear in the spinoff.

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Celebrity brief

SEX TAPE A sex tape allegedly featuring Verne Troyer has been pulled from a celebrity website by court orders, imdb.com reports. The diminutive actor/comic filed a \$20-million lawsuit against TMZ.com Friday, accusing the site of violating his rights by publishing and airing extracts from the film.

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celebrity brief

Gyllenhaal moves in with Witherspoon

PEOPLE Reese Witherspoon and Jake Gyllenhaal have moved in together, female-first.co.uk reports. Jake recently moved into Reese's \$5-million US Los Angeles home fuelling rumours the couple are planning to wed. A source said: "Marriage is definitely what they are working toward." The pair have become so close Jake is even helping raise Reese's two children — eight-year-old Ava and four-year-old Deacon — from her marriage to Ryan Phillippe. A friend of Reese's added to Us Weekly magazine: "They literally don't want to spend any time away from each

other." Oscar-winner Reese and Brokeback Mountain star Jake have been dating for a year after meeting on the set of the film Rendition. Although they initially denied rumours

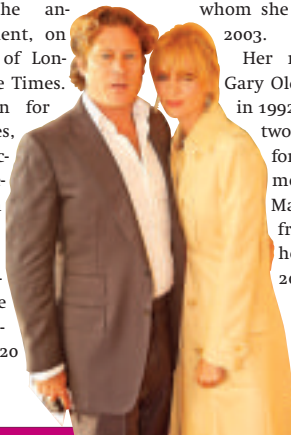
they were an item, they eventually went public last October after they were seen enjoying a romantic weekend break in Rome.

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Uma engaged

MARRIAGE Uma Thurman is engaged to her multimillionaire boyfriend, Arpad Busson, her rep has confirmed to People. On Saturday, the couple themselves made the announcement, on page 75 of London's The Times.

In return for saying yes, the actress received an eight-plus carat center stone surrounded by 20 smaller stones.



The pair began dating last summer after attending a private dinner together in Milan.

It would be the third marriage for Thurman, who has a son and daughter with ex Ethan Hawke, whom she divorced in 2003.

Her marriage to Gary Oldman ended in 1992. Busson has two sons with former supermodel Elle Macpherson, from whom he split in 2005.

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FAMILY RIFT? Britney Spears is furious over her mother's plan to release a book about her, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The disagreement is said to be so severe Britney initially refused to be present when her younger sister Jamie Lynn gave birth earlier this month because she didn't want to see Lynne. A source added to Britain's Closer magazine: "Britney feels that just as she is moving forward, her mom is dragging her back."

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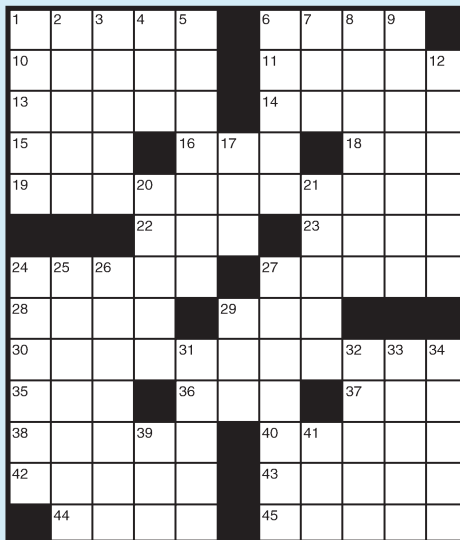
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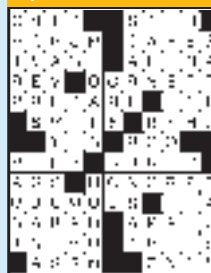
down»

- 1 Farm grazers
- 2 UFO flier
- 3 Scorch
- 4 Abel's mother
- 5 Made larger, perhaps
- 6 Informal talk
- 7 Great weight
- 8 John Adams's wife
- 9 Set aside
- 12 Started the garden
- 17 Ensnare
- 20 Argentina-set musical
- 21 Peace, in Swahili
- 24 Like some salads
- 25 Put in danger
- 26 Odometer reading
- 27 Pollen producer
- 29 Owl's question
- 31 Fragrance
- 32 Degrade
- 33 Insurance worker
- 34 Attire
- 39 Naughty act
- 41 Put down

across»

- 1 Surgery tool
- 6 Constellation part
- 10 Full of energy
- 11 Ear parts
- 13 Lode settings
- 14 Biscotti flavor
- 15 Panhandle
- 16 Tavern
- 18 "Aw, shucks!"
- 19 Salad-bar protector
- 22 Dog doc
- 23 Bee's home
- 24 Bashful
- 27 Held power
- 28 Leave out
- 29 Fighting
- 30 Motorcycle protector
- 35 Espy
- 36 Farm grazer
- 37 Saloon
- 38 Make blank
- 40 Cheer up
- 42 "Eat!"
- 43 Alleviates
- 44 Spring period
- 45 Fabric workers

previous answer



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The people in charge are relying on you to dazzle them. A drama queen enjoys being strange. A thief is caught in the act.


TAURUS | April 21-May 21

An outsider won't appreciate your humour. A dream will be refreshing. Play with a special friend at night.


GEMINI | May 22-June 21

A love opportunity comes this afternoon. A sweetheart protects you from criticism. A guy needs emotional support from you.


CANCER | June 22-July 22

It's time to befriend a compassionate soul. Be gentle with someone who responds truthfully. A loser is a winner.


LEO | July 23-Aug. 23

A satisfying surrender in a love life is necessary. Location matters while whispering tender words. It's a peak period for problem solving.


VIRGO | Aug. 24-Sept. 22

No harm will come to a threatened group. Take time to process information. An extreme reaction is not your fault.


LIBRA | Sep. 23-Oct. 23

Common sense is useless in a discussion. Believe the best about a fascinating anecdote. Someone will miss a chance.


SCORPIO | Oct. 24-Nov. 22

Time is of the essence in a legal case. Someone else's love affair causes distress. It's a bad idea to throw your weight around.


SAGITTARIUS | Nov. 23-Dec. 21

An intriguing person should be investigated. A freebie comes your way. Someone pulls the plug on planned repairs.


CAPRICORN | Dec. 22-Jan. 20

Count on an ambitious person to improve matters. Avoid injuring your neck. A home-maker makes a harsh house call.


AQUARIUS | Jan. 21-Feb. 18

Be brave enough to be hopeful. Avoid encounters with shallow people. Someone will say yes to your request.


PISCES | Feb. 19-Mar. 20

Don't joke when discussing a job. A friend wants to make complaints. An accommodation issue comes to a head. **AVATAR VENUS**


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instructions»

The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

solve time»

Under 13 minutes
13-17 minutes
17-21
21-25
More than 25

Genius
Scholar
Smart
Pretty good
Keep practising

previous answer

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Edmonton weather

Afternoon


Variable.
30°

Tonight


Clear.
Low 13°

Tuesday


Sunny.
25° / 12°

Wednesday


Partly cloudy.
25° / 12°

Thursday


Sunny.
26° / 14°

Temperature
Normals
High: 21.6°
Low: 10.2°

Records
High: 31.7°/1896
Low: 0°/1884
Sunrise: 5:08 a.m.
Sunset: 10:06 p.m.
Moonrise: 2:10 a.m.
Moonset: 8:23 p.m.

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This Day IN HISTORY

June 30, 1905: Albert Einstein publishes the article On the Electrodynamics of Moving Bodies, where he introduces special relativity.

June 30, 1912: The Regina Cyclone hits Regina, Saskatchewan, killing 28. It remains Canada's deadliest

tornado event.

June 30, 1987: The Royal Canadian Mint introduces the \$1 coin, known as the Loonie.

June 30, 2005: Spain legalizes same-sex marriage.

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